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## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated December 28, 2006, for which a response was due on March 28, 2007. A one-month extension of time is hereby requested, making the new deadline for response April 28, 2007. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 4 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 7 of this paper.